



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of : J. Bratten  
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For : FILTER APPARATUS  
Examiner : R. Popovics  
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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated July 10, 1992, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please rewrite claim 1 as follows:

1. (Amended) A filter apparatus for filtering solids from a  
liquid comprising:

a tank [adapted] constructed and arranged to receive liquid  
to be filtered, said tank including a bottom and a rear endwall;

a perforate section formed in said tank bottom, a collection  
chamber disposed beneath said perforate [layer] section, and  
means for drawing liquid through said perforate section into said  
collection chamber;

a continuous loop of a porous permanent filter media belt,  
including a segment extending down said rear wall and passing  
along said tank bottom over said perforate section to an exit  
point at the end of said tank opposite said rear wall;